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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of Malek et al.

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Title: Method and Apparatus for Mass Spectrometry

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**STATUS REQUEST**

Sir:

A U.S. national stage submission under 35 U.S.C. §371 in connection with the above-referenced PCT international patent application was mailed to the United States Patent Office via Express Mail on the filing date indicated above. While we did receive a postcard stamped with the above-referenced serial number acknowledging the Office's receipt of the submission, we have not received a filing receipt or any other communication to date in connection with this application. Applicants respectfully request to be informed of the current status of the application.

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